

**In the claims:**

Please cancel claims 1-3 without prejudice and without disclaimer.

Please amend the claims as follows:

1. (Cancelled)
2. (Cancelled)
3. (Cancelled)
4. (Original) A substantially isolated protein having the kinase activity of the protein shown in SEQ ID NO:4, which is encoded by a nucleotide sequence that hybridizes to SEQ ID NO:3 under highly stringent conditions.
5. (New) An isolated protein comprising the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:4.
6. (New) An antibody that specifically recognizes a protein comprising the amino acid sequence of SEQ ID NO:4.